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"UNDERWORLD MASTERMIND"

THIS IS A STORY OF ANOTHER MASTER CRIMINAL, OR SO HE THOUGHT, WHO HAD "THE CRIME FORMULA" ALL FIGURED OUT. "WITH MY BRAINS," DUKE MORANE BOASTED, "I'VE GOT THIS TOWN EATING OUT OF MY HANDS." CONCEITED, NOISY, CRUEL, DUKE WAS RIDING HIGH! COULD THE POLICE STOP THIS UNDERWORLD MASTERMIND?

SAY DUKE, DIS JOB IS EASY. LIKE TAKIN A WALK. I GOTTA HAND IT TO YA!

NATURALLY THAT GOES WITHOUT SAYING. COME ON, LET'S GET THIS CAPER OVER WITH. I'VE GOT A DOLL WAITING FOR ME.



GEORGE PETZ



DUKE MORANE, BIG SHOT OF "CROOKS INCORPORATED" LET'S PAY DUKE A VISIT AS HE SITS ON TOP OF THE WORLD!

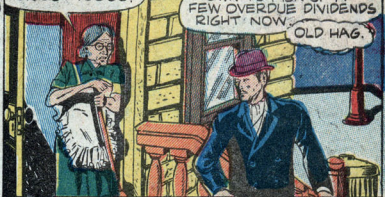
GOOD THING PEOPLE CAN'T READ MY MIND. IF EVERYONE WAS AS CLEVER AS I, WHERE WOULD I FIND SUCKERS TO MILK?



LISTEN YOU! EITHER YOU PAY UP THE SIX WEEKS BACK RENT YOU OWE, OR OUT YOU GO!

OF COURSE, MRS. FLANNERY, I'M ON MY WAY DOWN-TOWN TO PICK UP A FEW OVERDUE DIVIDENDS RIGHT NOW.

OLD HAG.



I NEED MONEY FAST. NOW LET ME SEE... A CAPER IN MY CLASS, HMM...

OF COURSE! THAT'S IT! AN IN/ NOW TO PICK UP A FEW BOYS.

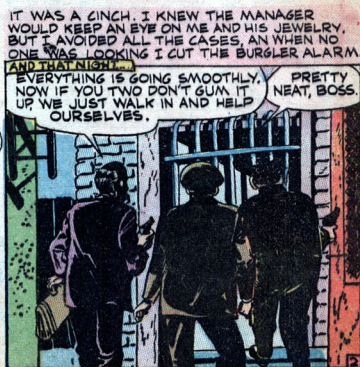
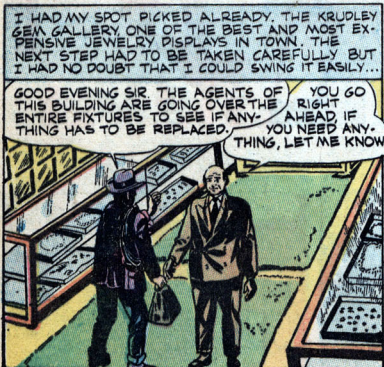
A TRIP TO HUBIE'S POOL HALL, WHERE I ROUNDED UP A PAIR OF HOODS, WHO WOULDN'T QUESTION MY AUTHORITY. PORKY FRANSOM AND BIG LOU SCHWARTZ.



COUNT ME IN, DUKE! ME TOO DUKE, I'LL GO ALONG WITH THAT!

GOOD!





IN QUICK TIME, THE LOCK WAS FORCED. THE WATCHMAN WAS TAKEN CARE OF.....



ALL CLEAR, DUKE!

ALL RIGHT, GET MOVING! WE'LL HAVE TO WORK FAST! TAKE THE BETTER STUFF!



QUICKLY THEY BEGAN SNATCHING JEWELS LIKE HUNGRY VULTURES.....

HERE'S ENOUGH ICE HERE TO COOL OFF A BARREL OF BEER!

CUT THAT OUT AND LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!



BACK AT THE HIDEOUT.....

WOW! LOOK AT THAT!

WE SURE GOTTA HAND IT TO YA DUKE!

NOW WE RELAX UNTIL I CONTACT A FENCE!

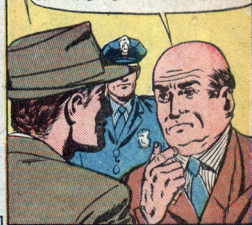


MEANWHILE, THE POLICE QUICKLY ACT.....

...AND THE ONLY PERSON YOU CAN'T ACCOUNT FOR WAS THIS ELECTRICIAN?

THAT'S RIGHT,

SIR! COME TO THINK OF IT HE SEEMED VERY SLICK LOOKING FOR A WORKING MAN.



THE POLICE CHECKED ALL LICENSED ELECTRICIANS FROM THE MEAGRE DESCRIPTION, ALSO ALL HARDWARE STORES FOR LARGE PURCHASES OF ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT.....

LIEUTENANT, PORKY FRANSON BOUGHT AN ELECTRICIANS OUTFIT IN A STORE NEXT DOOR TO HUBIE'S POOL PARLOR!

VERY GOOD! THAT'S THE LEAD WE WERE HOPING FOR! HAVE HUBIE'S JOINT WATCHED, AND IF FRANSON SHOWS UP HAVE HIM TAILED!



PORKY AND BIG LOU WERE SPOTTED IN HUBIE'S POOL HALL ONE EVENING AND TRAILED TO THEIR HIDEOUT.

THAT'S THE BUILDING THEY WENT INTO, LIEUTENANT, BUT WE DON'T KNOW WHICH FLAT.

HAVE ALL THE ENTRANCES WATCHED BITTNER, I'VE GOT AN IDEA, I WANT TO SEE SARGEANT SAM ELLIS!



ELLIS, WE FOUND THE HIDE-OUT OF THE JEWEL THIEVES, BUT THEY CAN BE ANYWHERE IN THE BUILDING, HERE'S WHAT I WANT YOU TO DO....



MEANWHILE, BACK AT THE HIDEOUT...

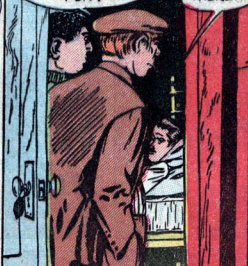
BLAST IT! I DON'T LIKE BIG LOU AND PORKY HANGING AROUND HUBIE'S JOINT. THE COPS ARE TOO STUPID TO CONNECT ME TO THAT JEWEL HEIST IF THOSE TWO BEAN-HEADS KEEP THEIR MOUTHS SHUT....



YOU CAN BE WRONG, DUKE, VERY WRONG....

HI DUKE. WHEN ARE YA GONNA GO OUT AND HAVE SOME FUN?

WHEN THE HEAT'S OFF AND WHAT'S MORE...



WHO'S THAT?

COPS MAYBE...

RELAX I'M TOO SMART! THEY CAN'T PIN A THING ON US!



OPEN IT, PORKY! WE'LL COVER YOU!

RRRIGHT, BOSS!



WADDA YOU WANT SKY-SCRAPER?

I'M AN EXTERMINATOR! I'M GOING THROUGH THE WHOLE BUILDING!



OKAY KILLER, BUT MAKE IT SNAPPY AND GET OUT OF HERE!

SURE, MISTER! THIS SERVICE IS FREE!



BOSS, THINGS ARE QUIET, I THINK THE HEAT'S OFF. THINK IT'S ABOUT TIME YOU SOLD THE STUFF?

QUIET, BIG LOU, WE GOT COMPANY THERE!

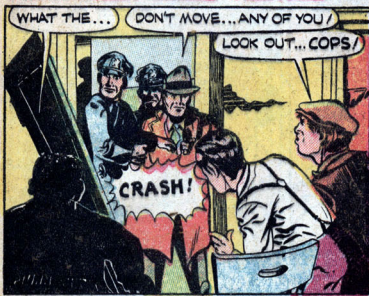
FORGET ABOUT D.D.T. THERE! HE'S IN HIS GLORY CHASING LIVESTOCK!



SO, WHILE THE EXTERMINATOR GOES TO WORK DESTROYING THE LITTLE VERMIN, THE THREE LARGE VERMIN PLAN HOW TO GET RID OF THEIR BIG HAUL

WE'LL GET RID OF THE ROCKS, HUBIE'LL CONTACT A BUYER, BUT THE D#BXWB WANT'S A CUT OF THE TAKE!





DUKE MORANE AND HIS HENCH-
MEN, PORKY AND BIG LOU, WERE
TAKEN TO HEADQUARTERS AND
BOOKED...

HELLO, DUKE, REMEMBER ME?
ALLOW ME TO INTRODUCE
MYSELF / DETECTIVE SARGEANT
SAM ELLIS, CITY POLICE, AND
PEST EXTERMINATOR / I
REALLY FLUSHED A RAT'S NEST
THIS TIME...

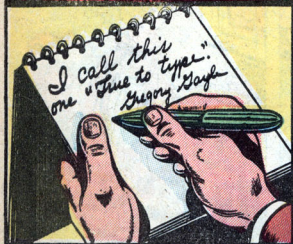


SO DUKE MORANE "PERFECT
CRIMINAL", WHO WAS TOO SMART FOR
THE POLICE, FINDS HIMSELF LOOK-
ING THROUGH THE WRONG SIDE OF
PRISON BARS, PROVING THAT CRIME
ISN'T SO SMART AFTER ALL!...



CRIME RUN-DOWN

You Spot The Clue! ◻◻



RANDALL WHITE, A POOR YOUNG WRITER ADDICTED TO GAMBLING, WAS SCARED WHEN THE GUNMAN CAME IN...

THE BOSS IS SORE. EITHER YOU COUGH UP THE DOUGH- YOU OWE... OR ELSE!

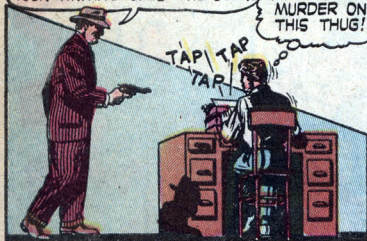
I--I CAN'T! I SPENT MY LAST CENT FOR THIS NEW TYPEWRITER.



AS THE GUNMAN APPROACHED, WHITE TYPED FEVERISHLY...

CUT OUT THE TYPING, PUNK! YOUR WRITING DAYS ARE OVER.

I'LL LEAVE A MESSAGE PINNING MY MURDER ON THIS THUG!



THE THUG KILLED WHITE AND DESTROYED THE MESSAGE IN THE TYPEWRITER.



HUH! YOU MUST THINK I'M A DOPE: I AIN'T GONNA LEAVE ANY MESSAGE THAT PUTS THE FINGER ON ME!



AT FIRST, CAPTAIN GLUMM AND I WERE STUMPED BY THE MURDER...THEN...

HMPH! NOT A CLUE!

HOLD ON, CAPTAIN, I'VE GOT THE ANSWER...



I HUSTLED TO ARREST SNAKE HITZ, THE GUNMAN, AND HIS BOSS, BIG JOE, THE BOOKIE.

YOU CAN'T PIN IT ON ME!

IT'S IN THE BAG, BIG JOE. YOU SICKED ME! HITZ ON WHITE BECAUSE HE HADN'T PAID HIS GAMBLING DEBTS. YOU'RE BOTH GUILTY!



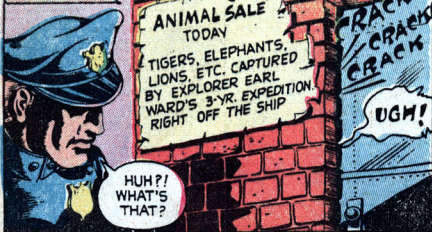
HOW DID GREGORY GAYLE DISCOVER THAT HITZ WAS THE KILLER, AND THAT BIG JOE WAS BEHIND THE CRIME? CAN YOU GUESS?

IN HIS THOROUGH SEARCH, GAYLE OBSERVED THE ROLLER OF THE NEW TYPEWRITER. WHITE'S MESSAGE STOOD OUT CLEAR ON THE RUBBER.

CRIME RUN-DOWN *You Spot The Clue!!*

THE POLICEMAN POUNDS AT THE DOOR, AND FINALLY GAINS ENTRY.

ONE NIGHT, THREE SHOTS RING OUT FROM A WATERFRONT BUILDING...



HUH?!
WHAT'S
THAT?

I'M EARL WARD. MY CREDENTIALS. I KILLED THIS CROOK IN SELF-DEFENSE. HE WAS AFTER THE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS I GOT FROM TODAY'S SALES!

UMMM! I BETTER CALL HOMICIDE. MR. WARD!



CAPTAIN GLUMM AND DETECTIVE GREGORY GAYLE ARRIVE, AND SEARCH THE DEAD MAN.



HMM, APPEARS TO BE AL CATTS! I'VE HEARD OF HIM! A SLICK CROOK FROM BOSTON!

YOU HAD A CLOSE CALL, MR. WARD!

NOT AS CLOSE AS WHEN I CAPTURED THAT ELEPHANT IN INDIA, OR WHEN I TRAPPED THESE LIONS AND TIGERS!

NO NEED TO HOLD YOU FOR FURTHER QUESTIONING, MR. WARD. RUN ABOUT YOUR BUSINESS! YOU DID THE DEPARTMENT A FAVOR!

BUT SUDDENLY...

SAY, WHY THE HANDCUFFS? ARE YOU MAD?

WHAT'S UP, GREG? THIS IS AN OPEN-AND SHUT CASE!

I'D LIKE TO HOLD HIM FOR FURTHER INVESTIGATION, CAPTAIN!

LATER...

FINGERPRINTS PROVE YOU ARE AL CATTS! YOU ROBBED EARL WARD AND KILLED HIM!

YEAH! WHEN I HEARD THE COP OUTSIDE I SWITCHED WALLETS. I WOULD'VE BEEN SET LOOSE WITH A HUNDRED GRAND IF... WELL, WHERE DID I SLIP UP?



CAN YOU FIND THE CLUE THAT GAVE CATTS AWAY? TURN PANEL UPSIDE DOWN FOR ANSWER.

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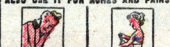
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BEAUTIFUL AND DEADLY AS A COBRA, HILDA POMEROY STRUCK DOWN HER VICTIMS IN A FRENZY OF WANTON GREED, CLIMBING EVER HIGHER OVER THE BODIES OF THOSE SHE POISONED, SHE GRASPED, FOR MORE, UNTIL THE STERN AND RELENTLESS HAND OF JUSTICE BROUGHT EXTERMINATION AND WIPED OUT A SNAKE IN HUMAN FORM... "THE DEVIL IN PETTICOATS..."



THE POORER SECTION OF VIENNA BEFORE THE NAZI'S HAD TAKEN OVER...

I HAD A WONDERFUL TIME, MR. REINER, JUST WONDERFUL! I DON'T KNOW HOW TO THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU'VE DONE FOR ME!

IT IS NOTHING, HILDA, JUST TO BE WITH YOU IS ENOUGH. WHY YOU PAY ATTENTION TO AN OLD MAN LIKE ME, I DON'T KNOW, BUT...

HMPPH! THE OLD GOAT MUST BE GETTING SOFT IN THE HEAD!



I WILL CALL FOR YOU SATURDAY NIGHT IF IT IS ALL RIGHT. WE CAN GO TO THE REINSCHLOSS!

OH, I'D LOVE THAT! I'LL BE READY AT EIGHT, MR. REINER!



PAH! I'LL FIX THAT! SHE'S JUST AFTER HIS MONEY, THAT'S ALL!

SO YOU FINALLY GOT HOME? DID YOU HAVE A GOOD TIME WITH GRANDPA? WHAT'S THE MATTER? ARE MEN YOUR OWN AGE TOO YOUNG FOR YOU?--OR MAYBE IT'S THE MONEY...

CARL! YOU STARTLED ME! YOU'VE GOT YOUR NERVE SPYING ON US! WHAT BUSINESS IS IT OF YOURS WHO I GO OUT WITH? YOU MISERABLE PAUPER, GET OUT OF MY SIGHT AND LEAVE ME ALONE!



YOU LITTLE FOOL! HOW CAN YOU GO WITH AN OLD FOOL LIKE THAT? HE'S IN HIS SECOND CHILDHOOD! COULD IT BE I HAVEN'T ENOUGH MONEY TO GIVE YOU THE GOOD TIMES YOU WANT?

LET GO OF ME, YOU DIRTY BEAST! LET GO OR I'LL SCRATCH YOUR ROTTEN EYES OUT OF YOUR HEAD! YOU HEAR?



IF YOU THINK I'LL SETTLE DOWN WITH A NOTHIN' LIKE YOU, YOU'RE CRAZY! I WANT LUXURY, MONEY, GOOD THINGS, AND I'M GOING TO HAVE THEM, NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS!

GO ON, PLUCK THE OLD BIRD, BUT YOU'LL BE SORRY! MARK MY WORD, AN OLD MAN ISN'T FOR A YOUNG GIRL LIKE YOU!



TRUE TO HER WORD, HILDA MARRIED HER VENERABLE ADMIRER, THEN SEVENTY ONE...

HMPH! A FOOL AND HIS MONEY ARE SOON PARTED! HE'S OLD ENOUGH TO BE HER GRANDFATHER!

I NOW PRONOUNCE YOU MAN AND WIFE!

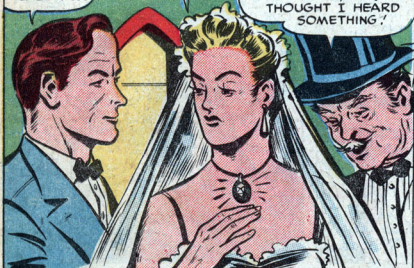


SHE CERTAINLY PLAYED HIM FOR AN IDIOT! THE OLDER THEY ARE THE HARDER THEY FALL!

MY BEST WISHES, HILDA. WEALTH, MORE WEALTH AND...CR... WEALTH!...

HMPH! MONEYLESS BEGGAR! OUT OF MY WAY!

WHAT'S WRONG, HILDA, MY CHILD? WHAT'S WRONG? SOMEBODY SAYING SOMETHING, EH? THOUGHT I HEARD SOMETHING!



IT WASN'T LONG BEFORE HILDA'S HOPE OF A LARGE INHERITANCE BY HER AGED HUSBAND'S DEMISE FADED, AND SHE TOOK TO SEEING CARL AGAIN...

I'M GOING TO MY MOTHER'S, R'IDY. DON'T WAIT UP FOR ME BECAUSE I'LL BE LATE. WE HAVE SO MUCH TO TALK ABOUT. I HAVEN'T SEEN HER SINCE FRIDAY YOU KNOW!

ALL RIGHT, MY DEAR. TEE HEE! YOU WOMEN ARE ALL ALIKE... SPEND ALL YOUR TIME IN GOSSIP. WELL, IF IT MAKES YOU HAPPY, RUN ALONG!



WHY DIDN'T I LISTEN TO CARL? THE OLD GOAT GETS STRONGER EVERY DAY, HE'LL PROBABLY OUTLIVE ME! IT'S A PITY, ALL THAT MONEY AND NO ONE TO SPEND IT OR HAVE FUN WITH IT. WHY DOESN'T THE WRINKLED FOOL HAVE A STROKE OR SOMETHING!

CARL, YOU WERE SO RIGHT. NOW I AM TRAPPED FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE. YOU WERE THE ONE I WANTED. ISN'T THERE SOME WAY I COULD GET THE MONEY AND GET RID OF THE OLD BOOB?

HMPH! YOU LOVE ME BUT YOU LOVE THE MONEY, TOO, EH? YOU'RE A CONNING WENCH, HILDA. BUT I'M STILL FOOL ENOUGH TO GO FOR YOU... SURE, I KNOW A WAY OUT, BUT...

TELL ME, CARL! TELL ME! I'LL GIVE YOU ANYTHING IF YOU'LL ONLY TELL ME. I CAN'T STAND IT MUCH LONGER!

HEY! TAKE IT EASY, WILL YOU? ARE YOU TRYING TO CREATE A SCENE? SIT DOWN, I'LL TELL YOU, BUT I DON'T THINK YOU'LL DO IT. YOU MAY BE ROTTEN, BUT I DON'T THINK YOU'RE THAT BAD!



YOU... YOU DON'T MEAN? AND YOU CALL ME ROTTEN? WHY, YOU'RE NOTHING BUT A MURDERER! MAYBE I LOVE MONEY, BUT I WOULDN'T KILL FOR IT!

OKAY, HONEY, I TOLD YOU, YOU WOULDN'T GO FOR IT. IT WOULDN'T BE HARD, THOUGH A LITTLE RAT POISON AND A FEW DAYS... POUF! JUST THINK OF THE FUN YOU COULD HAVE THEN. A YOUNG AND WEALTHY WIDOW CAN...

I... I... MUST THINK IT OVER. HE IS VERY OLD AND HE COULD SUDDENLY GROW ILL. I... TAKE ME HOME, CARL, I'VE GOT TO THINK.

SURE, HILDA, SURE, THINK. THINK ABOUT IT ALL YOU WANT. THINK TOO, ABOUT THAT MONEY YOU'LL HAVE. THE DECISION SHOULDN'T BE HARD. I'LL BE WAITING TO HEAR FROM YOU!



A WEEK LATER HILDA HAD DECIDED...

I WOULD LIKE A HALF DOZEN BOXES OF RAT POISON. MY HOUSE IS INFESTED. I MUST GET RID OF THEM!

A HALF DOZEN BOXES, MADAM, THAT IS ENOUGH FOR AN ARMY. IF I HAD THAT MANY RATS I WOULD MOVE, A MOMENT AND I WILL GET THEM FOR YOU!

BEFORE I CAN SELL YOU THESE YOU MUST SIGN THE POISON REGISTER. THE POLICE INSIST, YOU KNOW, THEY DON'T LIKE TO SEE

POISON PUT INTO OTHER USES THAN LEGITIMATE ONES.

WELL, ARE YOU TRYING TO INSINUATE THAT I... GIVE ME THAT BOOK! YOU MAKE ME FEEL LIKE A... CRIMINAL!

FRIGHTENED BY THE CHEMIST'S WORD, HILDA WAITED ANOTHER TWO MONTHS. THEN ONE NIGHT...

FREDDA, YOU AND MITZI MAY GO. MR. REINER AND I WILL HAVE OUR COFFEE ALONE. I'LL DO THE POURING!

YES, MA'AM, COME, MITZI!

GOOD! GOOD! JUST THE TWO OF US ALL ALONE, EH, HILDA? HEE! HEE!



YOU LOOK BEAUTIFUL, TONIGHT, HILDA, POSITIVELY RAVISHING! I'M A LUCKY MAN TO HAVE A WIFE LIKE YOU, ER... WHAT'S THAT YOU'RE PUTTING IN MY COFFEE?

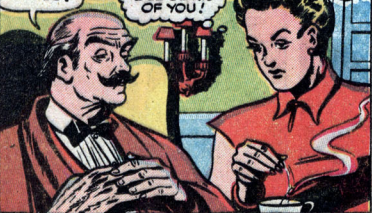
THIS, OH, THIS IS SOME VERY SPECIAL VITAMINS THE DOCTOR GAVE ME FOR YOU, HE SAYS THEY'LL HELP YOU NO END. MAKE YOU FEEL A LOT YOUNGER!

HA, BABBLE ON, YOU OLD GOAT! YOU'RE ON YOUR LAST BABBLE! BY TOMORROW NIGHT AT THIS TIME I'LL BE RID OF YOU!

MOMENTS LATER...

HILDA! HILDA! HELP ME... UGGHH!

GOODBYE, RUDY, YOU'VE LIVED YOUR LIFE AND NOW IT IS MY TURN TO HAVE MINE, FROM NOW ON I'M GOING TO HAVE ALL THE THINGS I'VE ALWAYS WANTED AND DO ALL THE THINGS I WANT TO DO! NO MORE STAYING HOME WITH A DODDERING OLD FOSSIL! I'M FREE! DO YOU HEAR ME RUDY? I'M FREE!



THERE WAS TALK ABOUT REINER'S SUDDEN DEMISE, BUT FORTUNATELY FOR HILDA, NO INQUEST AT THE RELATIVE'S INSISTANCE. THREE MONTHS LATER...

A RICH GIRL LIKE THAT MARRYING A NOBODY. I CAN'T UNDERSTAND.

HMPH! AND ONLY A WIDOW THREE MONTHS! YOU'D THINK SHE'D HAVE THE DECENCY TO WAIT UNTIL THE MOURNING PERIOD WAS OVER!

MOURNING PERIOD! YOU DON'T THINK SHE WAS IN LOVE WITH THE OLD MAN! SHE MARRIED HIM FOR HIS MONEY! AND IF THE TRUTH BE KNOWN, DON'T THINK HE DIED A NATURAL DEATH!

I'M GLAD YOU TOOK MY ADVICE, HONEY. YOU'VE MADE AN EXCELLENT DEAL. A THIRTY PFENNIG INVESTMENT IN RAT POISON WITH A RETURN OF A HUNDRED THOUSAND KRONEN. NOT BAD!

YOU HAVE THE MARKINGS OF A GREAT FINANCIER, CARL. YOUR KIND OF ADVICE PAYS OFF WITH A PERMANENT PROFIT. THEN YOU INVEST IN THE PROCEEDS. KISS ME, MY DEAR, AND LET US SEAL THE BARGAIN.

THEN CAME A PERIOD OF HIGH LIVING THAT BROUGHT HILDA'S LIL GOTTEN GAINS TO THE ZERO POINT. THE PAIR BEGAN TO LOOK FOR A NEW SOURCE OF EASY MONEY

MAYBE I WAS WRONG IN LISTENING TO YOU AND YOUR HIGH LIVING IDEAS! I TELL YOU CARL, I'LL NEVER GO BACK TO POVERTY! NEVER!

WELL, HAVE YOU ANY SUGGESTIONS? LAST TIME I TOLD YOU HOW TO GET CASH! NOW, MAYBE YOU CAN SUGGEST A METHOD. NOW THAT THE OLD MAN'S GONE IT ISN'T SO EASY, EH?

ALL RIGHT, MY FINANCIAL WIZARD, I HAVE AN IDEA. ONLY THIS TIME IT IS YOU WHO WILL HAVE TO TAKE THE CHANCE TO USE YOUR OWN WORDS. I DON'T THINK YOU HAVE THE COURAGE. ROTTEN AS YOU ARE!

OH, NO? WHAT IS IT, MY LITTLE VIXEN? I'M AFRAID OF NOTHING!

VERY WELL, MY BRAVE ONE, WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO HAVE YOUR LEG CUT OFF IF IT WOULD BRING YOU A FORTUNE? WOULD YOU GO THROUGH LIFE AS A CRIPPLE? IF YOU COULD BE A

RICH CRIPPLE? YOU'RE FOOLING! YOU DON'T MEAN THAT I SHOULD CUT MY OWN LEG? YOU... YOU COULDN'T!

OF COURSE, I MEAN IT! WE COULD INSURE YOU FOR ACCIDENT FOR ENOUGH TO KEEP US IN WEALTH FOREVER. BUT JUST AS I THOUGHT, YOU ARE A COWARD! I CAN COMMIT MURDER, BUT YOU...

STOP IT, HILDA! YOU'RE OUT OF YOUR MIND! I COULDN'T GO THROUGH WITH IT. KILLING THE OLD MAN DIDN'T MAKE YOU A CRIPPLE!

HMPH! ONCE AGAIN TO REPEAT YOUR OWN WORDS I'LL GIVE YOU TIME TO THINK IT OVER. I GAVE YOU A CHOICE IN LIVING IN SQUALOR OR PURSUING A WOODEN LEG AND PERMANENT WEALTH! SEE YOU LATER, CARL, DEAR!

YOU... SHE DEVIL! YOU'D STOP AT NOTHING TO GET MONEY, WOULD YOU? YOU'RE AS COLD AS ICE AND AS HARD. IF YOU WERE NOT SO BEAUTIFUL I'D... ARRR... GET OUT OF MY SIGHT!

IS IT WORTH IT? AFTER ALL THEY DO HAVE GOOD ARTIFICIAL LIMBS! I'D BE ABLE TO WALK... NO! WHAT AM I THINKING? I MUST BE CRAZY!... STILL... WE'D BE RICH, HAVE EVERYTHING WE WANT... I WONDER... COULD I...

HA! THE WEAK-MINDED FOOL! HE'LL DO IT. EASY LIVING MEANS TOO MUCH TO HIM. HE'D GIVE UP BOTH LEGS IF HE THOUGHT IT MEANT ENOUGH WEALTH.

WITHIN A WEEK, CARL WAS INSURED FOR THE MAGNIFICENT SUM OF FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS... THEN, A FEW DAYS AFTER THE FIRST PREMIUM WAS PAID A CURIOUS DRAMA TOOK PLACE IN THE POMEROY GARDEN...

HILDA, NO!... I'VE CHANGED MY MIND. I... I CAN'T STAND IT. LET'S CALL THE WHOLE THING OFF. THERE MUST BE SOME OTHER WAY.

NONSENSE! IT WILL BE OVER IN A MOMENT!

NONSENSE! IT WILL BE OVER IN A MOMENT! WITH WHAT I'VE GIVEN YOU, YOU WON'T FEEL A THING. YOU'LL BE OUT, COMPLETELY UNCONSCIOUS!

HILDA, DON'T DO IT...
PLEASE! I'M BLACKENING
OUT... I CAN'T STAND...
HILDA... LISTEN TO
ME.. DON'T.. UNGHHH!

IF YOU THINK YOU'RE
GOING TO STOP ME NOW,
YOU'VE GOT ANOTHER
THINK COMING! FOUR
HUNDRED THOUSAND
DOLLARS IS WORTH A LOT
MORE THAN YOUR LEG TO ME.

MOMENTS LATER...

EEEEEE! HELP!
HELP! GET A
DOCTOR! MY
HUSBAND SLIPPED
WHILE CHOPPING
WOOD. HE'S HAD
A TERRIBLE
ACCIDENT!

OH! HE
MUST BE
HELPED OR
HE'LL BLEED
TO DEATH!
HELP! HELP!
OH!

WHEN THE DOCTOR ARRIVES...

MADAM POMEROY, I AM AFRAID
I CANNOT SAVE THE LEG. WE
MUST AMPUTATE. HE HAS HAD A
VERY BAD CUT. IT ALMOST LOOKS
AS IF HE HAD TRIED
TO CUT HIS LEG OFF. OH, MY

EG OFF! OH, MY
POOR CARL!
WHAT WILL HE DO
NOW? SO YOUNG
TO BE DISABLED! MY
POOR HUSBAND! WHY
DID HE HAVE TO CHOP
WOOD? OHHH!

THE FOLLOWING WEEK AT THE
OFFICES OF THE TRANS-
CONTINENTAL INSURANCE CO.,

HOLY SMOKE,
WAIT TILL THE
BOSS SEES THIS
HE'LL BURST A
BLOODVESSEL,
IT'S AN ACCIDENT
CLAIM FOR
\$ 400,000
AND ONLY ONE
PREMIUM PAID.

WHEW. I'LL
BET THEY
DON'T LET
THAT GO
WITHOUT A
FIGHT. I'D
HATE TO BE
IN THE SHOES
OF THE
FELLOW WHO
PUT THAT CLAIM
IN.

IF THIS DOESN'T SMACK OF FRAUD. I DON'T KNOW WHAT DOES. THREE DAYS AFTER THE FIRST PAYMENT THE INSURED LOSES A LEG. BAH! GET RANKERT AND HAVE HIM START AN IMMEDIATE INVESTIGATION. I WANT TO KNOW EVERYTHING THERE IS TO BE HAD ON THESE POMEROYS!

YES SIR RANKERT IS THE RIGHT

YES SIR.
RANKERT IS
THE RIGHT
MAN. HE DOESN'T
LEAVE A STONE
UNTURNUED.

NEITHER DID HILDA LEAVE A STONE
UNTURNED...IN PROTECTING HER
CLAIM FROM ALL ANGLES...

AND AS I WAS SAYING, THESE AVERAGE INSURANCE COMPANIES WOULD DO ANYTHING NOT TO PAY. THEY ARE TRYING TO SAY THAT MY HUSBAND'S LEG WAS DELIBERATELY CHOPPED OFF. CAN YOU IMAGINE SUCH NONSENSE?

I KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN BUT WHAT I DO TO HATE YOU? I'M OK

I KNOW WHAT
 YOU MEAN...
 BUT WHAT CAN
 I DO TO HELP
 YOU? I'M ONLY
 AN ORDERLY... BUT IF
 I CAN HELP!

OH, THANK YOU! IT'S REALLY
VERY LITTLE. THEY WISH TO HAVE
THE SEVERED LEG EXAMINED.
FROM THAT THEY CAN SAY
WHAT THEY WISH... WHAT WITH
ALL THEIR MONEY AND
EXPERTS. NOW,
IF IT WERE TO
DISAPPEAR...

I UNDERSTAND.
I'M SURE I CAN

TO ... I UNDERSTAND.
I'M SURE I CAN
HELP YOU. PER-
HAPS ONE DAY, LATER
WE CAN MEET AND
TALK A LITTLE MORE.
... THAT IS... ABOUT
OTHER THINGS..

THINGS SEEMED TO ROLL SMOOTHLY UNTIL THE VERY THOROUGH-GOING MR. RANKERT MANAGED TO TRAP A CONFESSION FROM THE BRIBED HOSPITAL ORDERLY. SWIFT POLICE ACTION FOLLOWED...

THERE THEY ARE! PLACE THEM UNDER ARREST!

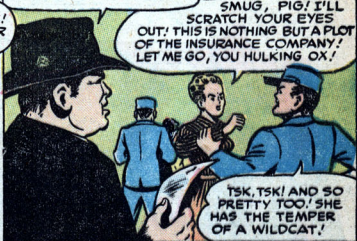
POLICE! WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS? WE HAVE DONE NOTHING!

WHY ARE YOU HERE? THIS IS AN OUTRAGE! WHERE IS YOUR WARRANT?



COME, COME, ENOUGH OF YOUR ACTING. HERE'S THE WARRANT AND YOU KNOW EXACTLY WHAT'S IN IT. FRAUD ISN'T A VERY NICE WORD AND WHEN WE PERPETRATE IT WE MUST PAY FOR IT!

WHY YOU FAT, SMUG, PIG! I'LL SCRATCH YOUR EYES OUT! THIS IS NOTHING BUT A PLOT OF THE INSURANCE COMPANY! LET ME GO, YOU HULKING OX!

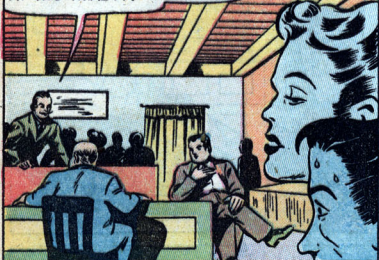


TSK, TSK! AND SO PRETTY TOO! SHE HAS THE TEMPER OF A WILDCAT!

AT THE TRIAL, HILDA EXERCISED ALL HER WILES AND ALLURING BEAUTY. HOW CLEVER SHE WAS, WAS PROVED BY THE VERDICT...

WE, THE JURY, FIND THE DEFENDANTS NOT GUILTY OF DEFRAUDING THE INSURANCE COMPANY IN THE LIGHT OF WHAT HAS BEEN BROUGHT OUT AT THIS TRIAL...

IT IS AS I THOUGHT. WE ARE VINDICATED!



BUT WE DO FIND THE DEFENDENTS GUILTY OF BRIBING AND ATTEMPTING TO INFLUENCE THEIR CASE, AND RECOMMEND THAT THEY BE PUNISHED ACCORDINGLY.

AIEEEEEE! YOU FOOLS! YOU PIGS! I COULD KILL EVERY ONE OF YOU. YOU ARE BRANDING AN INNOCENT WOMAN. I HATE YOU! I SPIT ON YOU, PAH!

IT IS UNFAIR. WE WANT ANOTHER TRIAL!



THIS IS CALLED JUSTICE! I WILL APPEAL TO THE HIGHEST COURTS! WE HAVE BEEN FRAMED! I DEMAND TO BE SET FREE!

IF YOU DO NOT QUIET DOWN I WILL PASS AN ADDITIONAL SENTENCE FOR CONTEMPT OF COURT! AS IT IS, YOU ARE GETTING OFF VERY EASY! YOU ARE SENTENCED TO FOUR MONTHS IN PRISON, BUT AS YOU HAVE ALREADY SERVED THAT TIME WAITING FOR TRIAL, YOU ARE FREE!

SHH! HILDA, PLEASE. DON'T MAKE THINGS ANY WORSE!

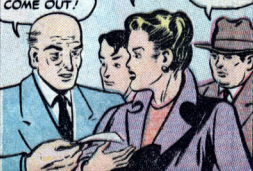


AFTER MUCH WRANGLING HILDA AND CARL SETTLED WITH THE INSURANCE COMPANY FOR FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS...

I WANT YOU TO REALIZE THAT WE ARE PAYING THIS UNDER PROTEST. THIS CASE IS BY NO MEANS CLOSED. SOMEDAY THE TRUTH WILL COME OUT!

HAMMM. PERHAPS YOU WILL HIRE THAT OX, MR. RANKERT TO FRAME US AGAIN, HEY?

PERHAPS, MRS. POMEROY, BUT I ASSURE YOU IF THEY DO IT WILL BE NO FRAME!



FIFTY THOUSAND! WE LIVE AGAIN! PERHAPS WE DIDN'T GET WHAT WE PLANNED, BUT IT IS NOTHING TO BE SNEEZED AT. DIDN'T I TELL YOU IT WOULD WORK!

HILDA, DON'T ACT SO HAPPY. THAT DETECTIVE IS WATCHING FROM THE WINDOW. I DON'T LIKE HIM. HE GIVES ME THE CREEPS. SOMEHOW HE REMINDS ME OF THE HEADSMAN. UGH!



NOW MATTERS TOOK A NEW TURN. HILDA BEGAN TO TIRE OF HAVING A HUSBAND WHO WAS A CRIPPLE...

HILDA, WHERE ARE YOU GOING? YOU DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING ABOUT GOING OUT. WHAT'S UP?

OH, I'M JUST GOING OUT AND HAVE SOME FUN. I'M GETTING TIRED OF SITTING HOME EVERY NIGHT. THIS IS AS BAD AS WHEN I WAS MARRIED TO RUDY.



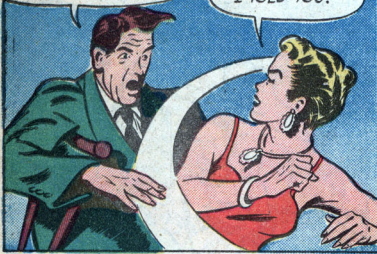
SO! YOU FIX IT SO THAT I AM A USELESS CRIPPLE AND NOW YOU ARE READY TO THROW ME OVER, EH? YOU BLACK-HEARTED SKUNK. YOU'D USE ANYONE FOR MONEY, WOULDN'T YOU? YOU DON'T CARE WHO YOU HURT.

AREN'T YOU THE ONE TO TALK! YOU'D HAVE ME MURDER FOR YOU, WOULDN'T YOU? LEAVE ME ALONE, YOU CRIPPLE!



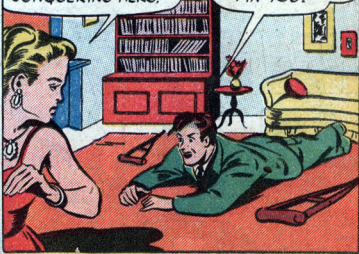
HOW CAN I HAVE BEEN SO BLIND? YOU'RE ROTTEN TO THE CORE! I'M GOING TO TEACH YOU A LESSON YOU'LL NEVER FORGET. YOU DIRTY... AIEE!

YOU HELPLESS FOOL! YOU'LL TEACH ME NOTHING! IF I WISH TO GO OUT, I'LL GO! GET OUT OF MY WAY, I TOLD YOU!



LOOK AT YOU! DO YOU THINK I'M GOING TO SPEND THE REST OF MY LIFE TAKING CARE OF YOU? I INTEND TO HAVE A LITTLE FUN ALSO! GOODNIGHT, MY CONQUERING HERO!

YOU'LL PAY FOR THIS, YOU ROTTEN VIXEN! YOU DIRTY WITCH! YOU JUST WAIT AND SEE! I'LL FIX YOU!



BUT SUDDENLY CARL BECAME STRANGELY ILL AND BEGAN TO WASTE AWAY...

CARL, MY BELOVED, CAN YOU EVER FORGIVE ME? I ACTED LIKE A BEAST. I...I MUST HAVE BEEN OUT OF MY MIND. HERE, I BROUGHT YOU SOME STRENGTH GIVING SOUP AND I WILL FEED IT TO YOU.

I WAS WRONG, TOO HILDA, IT MUST BE TERRIBLE FOR YOU NEVER HAVING ANY FUN. AS SOON AS I AM WELL, I'LL TRY TO CHANGE ALL THAT.

YOU ARE SO GOOD TO ME, HILDA. IF ONLY I WOULD GET BETTER. WHAT'S WRONG WITH ME? WHY DO I WASTE AWAY?

IT IS NOTHING. THE DOCTOR SAYS YOU WILL BE ON YOUR FEET IN NO TIME. TRY NOT TO WORRY, DEAR. YOU MUST REST.

I'D LIKE TO TELL HIM WHAT I REALLY THINK. I WISH MY LITTLE MIXTURES WOULD ACT FASTER. THE VERY SIGHT OF HIM DRIVES ME MAD.



THEN TWO WEEKS LATER...

IT IS OVER. THERE IS NOTHING MORE THAT I CAN DO, MRS. POMEROY. HE IS BETTER OFF THIS WAY... I CAN'T UNDERSTAND THOUGH... I'D LIKE AN AUTOPSY.

OH! NO, DOCTOR, NO! HASN'T HE BEEN THROUGH ENOUGH? I COULDN'T ALLOW IT. MY POOR CARL DESERVES HIS REST. OH! HOW WILL I EVER LIVE WITHOUT HIM? BOO... HOOO...



WHEN THE DOCTOR LEAVES...

I'M RID' OF HIM! FREE! NOW FOR THE KIND OF LIFE I WANT WITH NO BONDS, NO TIES, NO WORRIES... CARL, WHEN YOU LED ME TO KILL RUDY YOU HAD THE BEST IDEA OF YOUR LIFE. I WONDER WHAT YOU WOULD HAVE DONE IF YOU KNEW I DID THE SAME TO YOU? HAHHAHAH.



AFTER A SHORT PERIOD OF PRETENDED MOURNING, HILDA BEGAN A WILD ROUND OF HECTIC LIVING THAT SOON DEPLETED HER FUNDS...

PARDON ME, MADAM, THERE ARE SOME MEN IN THE DRAWING ROOM WHO INSIST ON SEEING YOU. I CANNOT GET THEM TO LEAVE.

THIS IS RIDICULOUS, COMING WHEN I AM HAVING A PARTY. I'LL SEE THEM AND TELL THEM A THING OR TWO. THE NERVE OF THEM.



WE ARE VERY SORRY TO COME AT A TIME LIKE THIS, MADAM, BUT WE CAN NEVER FIND YOU AT HOME ANY OTHER TIME.

WE MUST HAVE PAYMENT OF OUR BILLS, OR WE WILL FILE SUIT. WE CAN EXTEND YOUR CREDIT NO LONGER. THIS IS FINAL.

IT HAS BEEN OVER SIX MONTHS ALREADY. AFTER ALL WE ARE NOT RICH MEN. GET OUT BEFORE I HAVE YOU THROWN OUT. I WILL TAKE CARE OF YOUR BILLS IN THE MORNING. YOU MAY BE SURE I SHALL NEVER DEAL WITH YOU AGAIN.



FACED BY DEBTS ON ALL SIDES, THE SCHEMING HILDA BEGAN TO TOADY UP TO A LONG NEGLECTED, BUT RICH AUNT, MARTHA HERNER...

ARE YOU COMFORTABLE, AUNT MARTHA? I'M SO HAPPY I FOUND YOU. IT WAS SO LONELY BEFORE.

YOU ARE A GOOD GIRL, HILDA, AND A DEVOTED NEICE. I HAVE DECIDED TO MAKE YOU MY SOLE HEIR. IT IS MY ONLY WAY OF THANKING YOU.



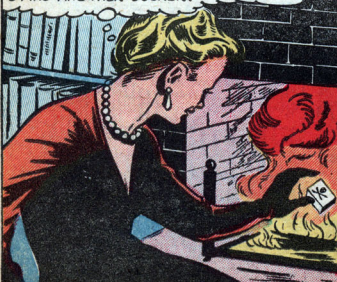
ODDLY ENOUGH, A MONTH LATER, AUNT MARTHA BEGAN TO DEVELOP THE SAME SYMPTOMS AS CARL.

HILDA, I CAN'T IMAGINE WHAT I WOULD HAVE DONE WITHOUT YOU. YOU HAVE BEEN CLOSER TO ME THAN A DAUGHTER.

IT IS NOTHING, AUNT MARTHA, JUST TRY AND GET WELL. HERE, I HAVE YOUR MEDICINE READY. YOU MUSTN'T MISS IT, YOU KNOW.



A LITTLE POWDER AND THEY GO. IT IS SO SIMPLE AND SO PERFECT, A FEW WEEKS AND I AM RICH AGAIN. THIS TIME I'LL TAKE CARE OF MY MONEY. AT LEAST TILL I FIND ANOTHER SUCKER.



ANOTHER TWO WEEKS AND AUNT MARTHA WENT THE WAY OF THE OTHERS. AND HILDA WAS IN THE MONEY AGAIN. BUT THIS TIME SHE WAS WATCHED...

SHE WAS SO GOOD TO ME. I MUST BE CURSED! EVERYONE I COME INTO CONTACT WITH DIES. OH, WHY DOES THIS HAVE TO HAPPEN TO ME. OHH! AUNT MARTHA.

SHE'S RIGHT ABOUT THAT. THREE PEOPLE, ALL WITH MONEY, ALL MEET PECULIAR DEATHS AND ALL LEAVE THEIR FORTUNES TO HER... VERY PECULIAR.



RANKERT'S SUSPICIONS AROUSED, HE WENT TO WORK WITH HIS USUAL THOROUGHNESS....

YOU ARE THE TWENTIETH OF APOTHOECARY I HAVE QUESTIONED. THINK! ARE YOU SURE YOU DON'T REMEMBER HER? BLONDE, BEAUTIFUL...

COURSE, SHE HAS BEEN HERE MANY TIMES WAIT... I'LL GET MY BOOK. I CAN SHOW YOU HER SIGNATURE!

YOU'RE POSITIVE THAT IS THE NAME, MARIA ECKERT? LET ME TAKE YOUR BOOK. I WOULD LIKE TO CHECK THE HANDWRITING. IT IS POSSIBLE SHE IS THE SAME WOMAN.

I ALWAYS THOUGHT SHE HAD TOO MANY RATS FOR COMFORT, BUT THEN THE STUFF IS NOT FATAL AND I THOUGHT.. WELL, YOU KNOW, YOU DON'T QUESTION THE .CUSTOMER!

THE HANDWRITING CHECKED AND ON THE STRENGTH OF IT RANKERT OBTAINED AN ORDER TO OPEN AUNT MARTHA'S GRAVE...

RANKERT, YOU'D BETTER BE RIGHT ABOUT THIS OR THERE'LL BE THE DEVIL TO PAY. SHE CAN MAKE AN AWFUL LOT OF TROUBLE IF WE'RE WRONG.

I KNOW, I KNOW. THAT'S WHY I'VE KEPT IT SECRET. I'M KEEPING MY FINGERS CROSSED UNTIL I GET THAT LAB REPORT.

THE FOLLOWING DAY...

WE'VE FOUND NOTHING SO FAR, RANKERT. KRÖLL IS MAKING THE LAST TEST OF THE STOMACH. IF THAT DOESN'T SHOW, I'M AFRAID...

MR. RANKERT! DOCTOR! COME HERE QUICKLY! LOOK AT THIS!

THANK GOODNESS! YOU HAD ME SWEATING BULLETS.

THERE'S ENOUGH POISON IN THIS TO KILL TEN MEN. IT MUST HAVE BEEN ADMINISTERED OVER A LONG PERIOD OF TIME!

THERE'S YOUR PROOF, RANKERT. WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO NOW?

GET AN EXHUMATION ORDER FOR THE OTHERS. I'M CERTAIN YOU'LL FIND THE SAME THING. I WANT HER ON ALL COUNTS!

AS RANKERT PREDICTED THE POISON WAS FOUND IN ALL THE BODIES, EVEN THAT OF OLD REINER WHO HAD LONG BEEN BURIED... THAT NIGHT AT VIENNA'S MOST FASHIONABLE CLUB...

WE MEET AGAIN, MRS. POMEROY, AND THIS IS NOT A FRAME UP. THIS TIME I'M CHARGING YOU WITH MURDER. WILL YOU COME QUIETLY.

I'LL HAVE YOU BROKEN. WHY DO YOU INSIST ON PERSECUTING ME? I'VE DONE NOTHING! I WON'T MOVE FROM HERE!

YOU BEAST! YOU FILTHY DOG! I'LL PAY YOU FOR THIS! YOU HAVE NOTHING ON ME! ABSOLUTELY NOTHING! LET ME GO!

WHAT IS WRONG? WHAT DID SHE DO?

I DON'T KNOW. I HEARD THE POLICE SAY MURDER!

FOUR MONTHS LATER, AFTER A SPEEDY TRIAL, HILDA WAS EXECUTED ON THE VERY EVE OF NAZI OCCUPATION OF AUSTRIA... THE FIRST WOMAN TO BE BEHEADED IN A HUNDRED YEARS. AUSTRIA'S MOST COLDBLOODED MURDERESS HAD BEEN BROUGHT TO JUSTICE...

NO, NO! I WANT TO LIVE! I'M TOO YOUNG TO DIE! GIVE ME A CHANCE! JUST ONE CHANCE. NO!



AT midnight I am going to die in the electric chair for a murder I did not commit. Probably your reaction to this statement goes something like this, "What, another one of those fellows who claims he was framed!" Yes, I was given the works by a man I thought my friend. His plan certainly was diabolically clever and it looks as though it were foolproof. Even Ted Harding's mother visited me in jail and said, "Frank, if you would only tell me the real reason why you murdered my son, I could at least pray for your soul." And she once regarded me as her second son, so close were the two of us.

People in Jansen's department store used to point us out and say, "There you have a perfect friendship. Frank Martin and Ted Harding." I was assistant manager of the store and Ted was section manager. We were about the same height, six feet. He had deep bluish grey eyes and mine were brown. Both of us had coal black hair, though his was slightly wavy. Over the week ends we would play tennis or go fishing. We had a mutual friend, Burt Landers who was in charge of credit. He was a small jolly fellow, with receding blond hair and his brown eyes always had a friendly gleam in them. They say the test of any friendship is a woman. And that held true in this case. Women were always catty and would remark, "What do they see in Frances Grealy?" A little pug nose, several well distributed freckles, corn colored hair, and two large sized green eyes plus a cute little lisp made up the girl who was in charge of complaints. At first they wondered why she had been hired when others could have been promoted into that position. But when they saw her handle the most irate of customers, you had the answer.

Frances was hired after I came back from the Army. She was present the night the gang gave me a dinner. Ted introduced her to me. "Didn't I tell you what a swell guy, Frank is," he said in no uncertain terms. "And he became a major, a fighting one, not the kind of a fel-

low who got medals sitting behind a desk." I didn't want my war record brought in at the trial. Though after conviction, thousands of people did sign a long petition to the governor asking for clemency in my case. And when I ran out of funds to make the final appeal to the Supreme Court, many of my buddies put part of their scanty resources into a pool to pay for the cost of printing the appeal record.

There was close rivalry between Ted and myself for dates. Frances sort of enjoyed it; tell me, wasn't that a situation to appeal to any woman? As for Burt, he tried to get into the race, but soon found himself standing on the sidelines. "As long as I get an invitation to the wedding, I don't care who wins," he announced in a declaration of neutrality. It seemed as though I had the edge. Then old man Jensen called me into his office. "I just bought the Lewis & Rudley Department store in Toledo," he said in words quivering with excitement. "I want you to go there for two months and weed out the inefficient help and introduce our system into that store." You just didn't refuse the old man. I saw Frances that night and told her when I returned there was a question on my mind she would have to hear and the answer would be yes. "Write you a letter every day," I said.

She pouted slightly. "I hate letter writing. You just keep everything you want to say for me in one big package until you get back."

Those two months seemed to drag out like two long years with lots of extra days thrown in for good measure. When I got back to the store, I could sense something funny. Burt took me aside. "I know you long enough Frank, to be able to speak to you directly without trying to beat around the bush. Perhaps it's better I tell it to you. Frances is going to marry Ted. They say absence makes the heart grow fonder. Its only half-true. They forgot to add, "for someone else."

I hit the ceiling.

"Most sensible thing is for you, Frank, and myself to drive out after closing to Joe's Tavern and talk things over."

Burt took care of everything. I didn't see Ted until I drove my car around to the front of the store. Burt sat next to me, and Ted got in last. We were driving about twenty minutes before the first words were spoken, "Hope you aren't mad, Frank," began Ted. "After all we still can be friends. In fact, Frances wants you to be my best man at the wedding." I mumbled some kind of a reply. Joe's Tavern was situated just at the edge of town. We sat down at a table. Ted ordered the drinks. Somehow I have a vague feeling that Burt didn't touch his, and I also drank them. Perhaps it was what Ted said that started me off. "I don't want you to feel I stole your girl away from you while you were in Toledo. She said she liked me best of all." I guess I saw red and with a couple of drinks inside of me, something went haywire. Five witnesses swore I got up from my seat and shouted, "You stole my girl, like a dirty crook. You're not a friend of mine. I got a good mind to kill you. I ought to run you down with my car until every bone in your body is broken!"

No wonder I didn't stand a chance in court. The District Attorney kept hammering away at one point, "This man cold bloodedly announced before witnesses he was going to kill the deceased. Here you have premeditated murder at its worst."

Burt left the Tavern first and then it was Ted who had said, "I guess it's best we all go home by ourselves." I got into my roadster and drove one block down Pine Avenue. The traffic light overhead was green. And then it happened. From nowhere a body loomed in front of my car. I hit it with a sickening thud. In a flash, my instinct told me it was Ted and he was dead. I should have stopped but I continued until a prowling car ran me to the side of the road and I was arrested.

At the trial Burt swore that the traffic light was red and I had not stopped the car. This was a very damaging bit of testimony. If the traffic light had been green, then the state would be forced to concede the possibility of

an accident. But with the light red, there was no alternative, it was murder in the first degree.

My attorney suggested that I claim intoxication and plead guilty to a charge of manslaughter in the first degree. That would bring a sentence of 20 to 25 years and with time off for good behavior, I would be a free man in 17 years. I turned it down cold. For I knew Burt had framed me when he claimed the traffic light was red. He must have pushed Ted in front of my car.

Why am I writing all this? This morning the warden sent for me. Opened a box of cigars and offered me one. "Luxury for a condemned man," I said with a forced smile.

"No, Major Martin, something more important," he said in a friendly tone. The use of the military title struck me. He read my mind. "My son was with you in the Italian campaign. And I am more than grateful he came back alive. He always spoke highly of you. Last night one of the guards reported you tossed in bed shouting, 'I know Burt framed me, I can prove it. He is the killer . . . What did you dream?'" I shrugged my shoulders in a gesture of futility. "Permit me to make a suggestion," he continued. "In your subconscious you know the key to your problem. Start writing, it will get your conscious and subconscious minds working. Maybe the clue will pop out while you write."

I guess I am stuck. Justice must be blind not to see the color of a man's heart when he lies. Justice . . . blind . . . that's the key! Burt is color blind! He can't tell the difference between green and red. When he tried to get an army commission he was turned down because of this defect. It's on the record. I can now prove he lied about that traffic light. . . .

At midnight a man is going to die in the electric chair. Burt Landers confessed all. He pushed Ted in front of my car and it looked like a perfect crime. Mrs. Harding is with me in the warden's office. She keeps on repeating, "Frank, can you ever forgive me?" and I give her the same answer. "There is nothing to forgive." The lights just went out for a second. Burt has died in the chair that almost claimed me. Justice wasn't blind!

STRONG ARM TERROR

EVERY POLITICAL CLUB IN THE 1850'S HAD ITS STRONG ARM GANG OF HOODLUMS, BRUISERS AND GANGSTERS TO PROTECT ITS INTERESTS FOR POLITICS IN THE EMBATTLED FIFTIES. IT WAS A PRETTY ROUGH AND TUMBLE AFFAIR WITH NO HOLDS BARRED.



NONE HUNG UP SO ENVIOUS A RECORD AS THE GIANT GANGSTER WHO TERRORIZED THE WEST SIDE ---- BILL POOLE, BETTER KNOWN AS "BILL THE BUTCHER"

BILL SERVED HIS APPRENTICESHIP WITH THE BOWERY BOYS...

THEY'RE ASKIN' FOR BROKEN HEADS!

RAH FOR THE BOWERY BOYS! THEY'RE BRING-
ING UP REINFORCEMENTS... SOMEBODY GET
BIG BILL!

STEADY NOW! HERE COME
SOME OF OUR GUYS TO HELP
OUT!



HERE COMES BILL
THE BUTCHER! HE'LL
MAKE CHOP MEAT
OUT OF YOU!

GANG WAY!
THAT HUMBRE
HAS A MEAN
REPUTATION.

LET ME
OUT OF
HERE!

HERE, TAKE THIS ONE WITH
YOU AND DON'T EVER COME
BACK!

WHEN BIG BOSS RYNDERS
OPENED HIS NEW CLUB...



LET ME
AT THEM
NO ONE
CAN AT-
TACK THE
BOWERY
BOYS!



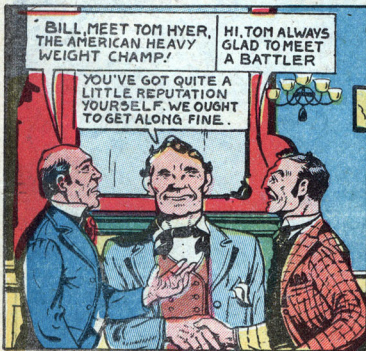
I NEED A
TOUGHIE
LIKE YOU.
HOW ABOUT
WORKING
FOR ME!

IT'S A DEAL
RYNDERS,
PROVIDED
YOU MAKE IT
WORTH MY
WHILE FOR
MEIN MY GANG!

BILL, MEET TOM HYER,
THE AMERICAN HEAVY
WEIGHT CHAMP!

HI, TOM ALWAYS
GLAD TO MEET
A BATTLER

YOU'VE GOT QUITE A
LITTLE REPUTATION
YOURSELF. WE OUGHT
TO GET ALONG FINE.



BUT THE TAMMANY GANG PLOTTED AGAINST
AMERICUS... AT THE TAMMANY CLUB...

FIRST OFF WE'LL CLEAN OUT THE "AMERICUS
CLUB"

SURE. THEY'RE
GIVING US TOO
MUCH COMPETITION.

I'M WITH YOU,
BOSS. WE'LL
EAT 'EM ALIVE!





COME ON, YOU HUGS. LET'S GO! WE'RE GOING TO SHOW THESE LUGS A FEW TRICKS!

I NEED JUST A COUPLE OF MORE BRICK BATS TO BOUNCE AROUND!



IT'S THE TAMMANY GANG! THEY ARE OUT FOR BLOOD!

I WARNED THEM TO STAY AWAY FROM THIS PLACE.

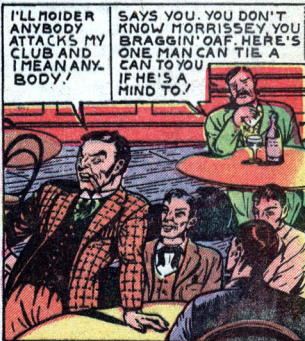


BIG BILL SWUNG INTO ACTION...

YOU MUST BE CRAZY COMING AROUND HERE LOOKING FOR TROUBLE!



THIS ROOM IS TOO CROWDED AND GIVE YOUR BOSS MY COMPLIMENTS!



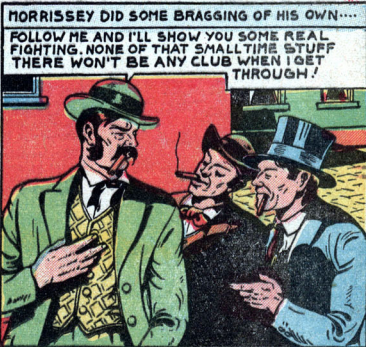
I'LL HOIDE ANYBODY ATTACKS MY CLUB AND I MEAN ANY BODY!

SAYS YOU. YOU DON'T KNOW MORRISSEY YOU BRAGGIN' OAF. HERE'S ONE MAN CAN TIE A CAN TO YOU IF HE'S A MIND TO!



SAYS BOSS, THAT'S MORRISSEY THE FIGHTER. LOOKS LIKE HE'S NOT TAKING KINDLY TO YOUR REMARKS!

SO WHAT! I'VE HANDLED THEM BIGGER. THERE'S NO MAN I'M AFRAID OF!



MORRISSEY DID SOME BRAGGING OF HIS OWN....

FOLLOW ME AND I'LL SHOW YOU SOME REAL FIGHTING. NONE OF THAT SMALLTIME STUFF THERE WON'T BE ANY CLUB WHEN I GET THROUGH!

CONTINUED AFTER ADS

Beauty Writer Tells How To CLEAR UP PIMPLES AND BLACKHEADS BY SATURDAY NIGHT*

Skin Specialists Report On Amazing New Medical Discovery For Pimples, Blackheads, Whiteheads And Other Blemishes! *By Starting Seven Days Beforehand You May Have a Clear Blemish-Free Complexion For Saturday Night Or Your Money Back!

by Jennifer Turner

Here is the most exciting news you've ever read if you're embarrassed by pimples, blackheads or other blemishes. No longer need anybody miss out on fun and excitement... romance... popularity... dates... even social and business success... because their faces are clouded by blemishes.



Medical science has made amazing advances during the past years. It has found out how to cure many of our most serious diseases. Now there is a new discovery that clears up pimples, blackheads and other blemishes... even in cases where everything else has failed.

Any doctor will tell you that to be clear and blemish-free, the skin on your face must be free from germs and dirt. But today's air is full of soot and fine dust particles that settle on your face and get into your open pores. These impurities can make your pores larger. Blackheads begin to form. When these become infected you suffer the embarrassment of pimples and other blemishes and neglecting your face. Doing nothing about these conditions, only makes your skin troubles worse.

Now, thanks to a scientist's remarkable discovery, you can and forever your embarrassment of an ugly, blemish

marked face and restore the confidence you have when your complexion is clear. The name of this discovery is Clorpectin WCS-50. They use it in hospitals to clear up blemishes. All you do is rub the solution on your face. Where you have blemishes, spots, lines or shadows, rub a little harder. As you apply the clear solution to your face it immediately starts to penetrate through your tiny skin openings. You feel nothing except a cool, pleasant sensation. No messy cream... no thick pastes... nothing unpleasant of any kind. The solution actually seeps down inside your pores, no matter how caked and clogged they are. It helps loosen the dirt, the powder, the soot that has collected. Gently it helps tighten your pores. This starts to slowly force out the matter collected there. What's more, as soon as you apply the solution to your face it instantly kills every trace of skin bacteria and germs on the surface. Even more important, as it seeps down into your pores it also kills germs and bacteria underneath your skin surface. If you have pimples it destroys the germs inside that keep them alive so the pimples can dry up.

Any complexion marred by blemishes caused by germs and bacteria must be helped. Teenagers who have tried everything for pimples will see their faces start to clear within 5 days. Hospital tests have proved that blackheads, pimples, and acne which responded to no other treatment cleared up after CLEAROXIN was used. After you've applied the CLEAROXIN solution, dry your face. You'll feel a pleasant, cooling, tingling sensation for a few minutes as the solution works. Then apply the remarkable flesh colored medicated cream that comes with it. It protects your skin between applications of the solution. It destroys germs... prevents more germs

from doing damage. Unlike most creams that permit your blemishes, shadows, dark spots to show through, this cream covers them completely. It blends perfectly with skin tones. Your embarrassment and humiliation stop instantly when you apply it.

You can go to work... to a dance... a date... with new self confidence. And while the cream is concealing your blemishes... remember, the CLEAROXIN solution works underneath and your pimples, blackheads and other blemishes start to clear up within 5 days. In 7 days they should be gone completely. This simple, easy, pleasant treatment once a day of the CLEAROXIN solution plus the cream has worked for so many other people, it stands to reason it will work for you. The solution has already been written up in medical journals.

Your druggist can get CLEAROXIN for you. The cost is only \$1.25 for the regular size and only \$1.95 for the large size... only a few cents a day to get rid of skin blemishes! Or just mail \$1.25 or \$1.95 with your name and address to Jennifer Turner, Dept. ST-5, 400 Madison Avenue, New York, N. Y.

CLEAROXIN will be mailed direct to your home. Sorry, no C.O.D.'s. After you have used CLEAROXIN if you are not delighted for any reason, your money will be immediately refunded. So don't needlessly suffer the embarrassment of skin blemishes when you don't have to. Remember CLEAROXIN with Clorpectin WCS-50 has cleared up blemishes in case after case, even when everything else failed. So don't fool with old fashioned products that simply "cover" your trouble. Make sure you use the new medical discovery that really works. Send for your CLEAROXIN treatment today.



A NEW FACE FOR YOUR NEXT PARTY
Don't be embarrassed by an unattractive complexion when medical science has now perfected an amazing new way to "deactivate" pimples and blackheads. Read this carefully!

AND AT THE AMERICUS CLUB HE MADE GOOD HIS THREATS.

COME ON OUT YOU PUNKS! COME OUT AND MEET A GOOD MAN, NOT A BUM LIKE BIG BILL!



WHEN BIG BILL GOT WORD...

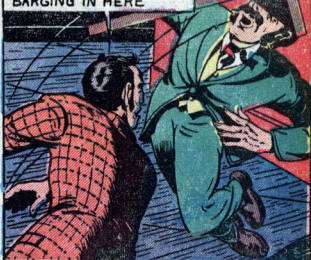
THERE'S A CRAZY MAN SMASHING UP THE CLUB HOUSE ALL BY HIMSELF!

WHAT'S THE MATTER THESE DAYS! I NEVER GET A MOMENTS' PEACE.



HE LIT OUT AFTER MORRISSEY....

STRIKE ONE, WITH THE COMPLIMENTS OF BIG BILL. THE NERVE OF SOME PEOPLE'S CHILDREN BARGING IN HERE



AND DON'T COME BACK TILL YOU'RE INVITED. STRIKE TWO!



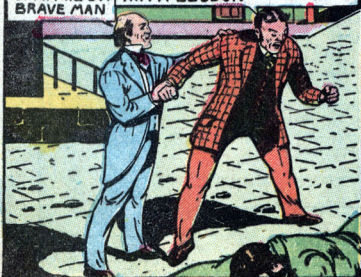
STRIKE THREE AND YOU'RE OUT, AND DON'T EVER SHOW YOUR UGLY MUG AROUND HERE OR I'LL LAY YOU OUT FOR THE UNDERTAKER



BUT RYNDERS CAME TO THE RESCUE....

LET HIM BE. I'LL TAKE CARE OF HIM. HE'S A BRAVE MAN

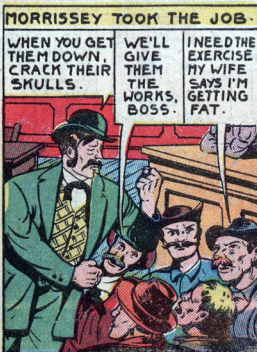
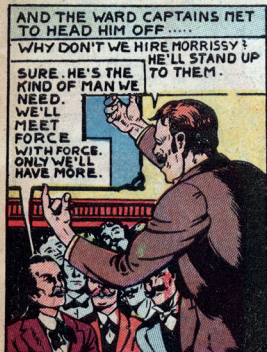
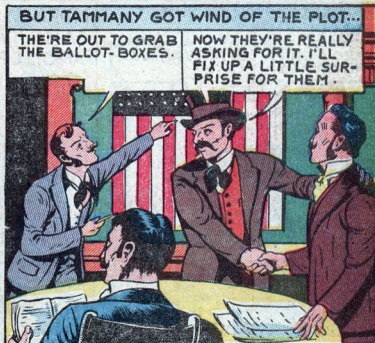
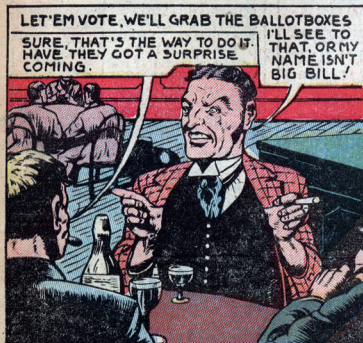
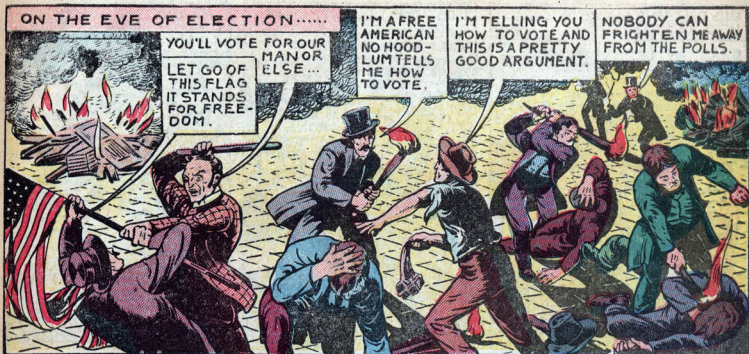
I OUGHT TO CHOP HIM UP FOR HAMBURGER JUST TO TEACH HIM A LESSON

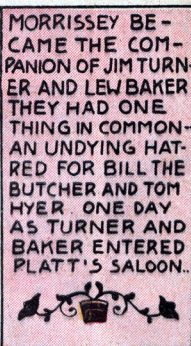


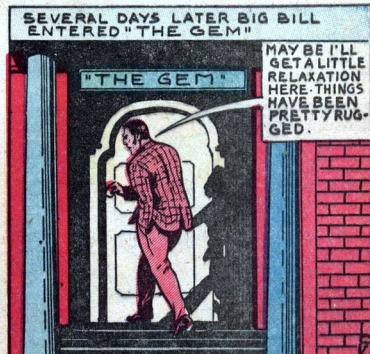
I LIKE YOU MORRISSEY WILL YOU WORK FOR ME? YOU'RE A MAN AFTER MY OWN HEART, AND I'LL PAY YOU WELL.

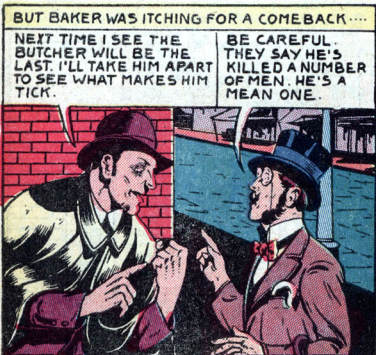
NOT WITH THAT BRUISER AROUND. I'LL FIX HIS WAGON YET. NOBODY CAN PUSH MORRISSEY AROUND. I'LL GET HIM IF IT'S THE LAST THING I DO.











MEAN TIME MORRISSEY MET BIG BILL

FIFTY DOLLARS YOU WON'T NAME A PLACE TO MEET ME, UNLESS YOU'RE YELLOW AS THEY SAY YOU ARE

THE AMOS STREET DOCK AT SEVEN TO-MORROW MORNING AND IF YOU'RE THE MAN YOU SAY YOU ARE, YOU'LL BE THERE



I TELL YOU IT'S A TRAP MORRISSEY. LET'S GET OUT OF HERE WHILE THERE'S YET TIME

I GAVE MY WORD I'D BE HERE AND I NEVER BREAK MY WORD



I WARNED YOU OF FOUL PLAY. THERE MUST BE 200 OF THEM. THEY'LL CUT US TO PIECES IF WE DON'T GET OUT OF HERE PRONTO.



WHEN MORRISSEY'S MEN GOT WORD.....

DE BUTCHER'S MEN ARE MOIDERIN MORRISSEY. COME ON, WE'VE GOT TO SAVE THE BOSS



MORRISSEY'S BOYS ARE HERE...

BETTER CLEAR OUT BOSS. WHILE WE'VE GOT THE CHANCE.

SO YOU'D AMBUSH THE BOSS. YOU YELLOW RATS.

LET ME OUT OF HERE. THIS IS MORE THAN I BARGAINED FOR.

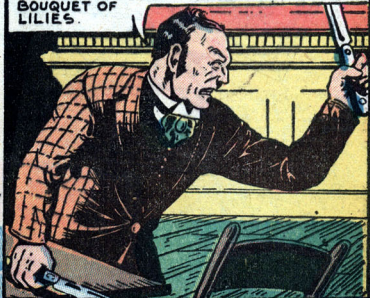


WHEN BIG BILL AND MORRISSEY MET AGAIN THAT NIGHT ..

THIS FOR YOU, YOU YELLOW SKUNK. YOU MAKE A DATE AND SEND TWO HUNDRED THIEVES TO WAYLAY ME INSTEAD.



YOU ASKED FOR IT MORRISSEY! THIS TIME THERE'LL BE NOTHIN LEFT FOR THE UNDERTAKER. I'M GOING TO POLISH YOU OFF AND SEND YOU A BOUQUET OF LILIES.



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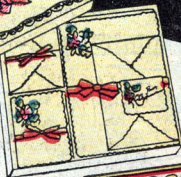
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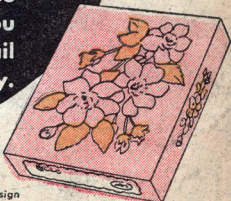
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YOU MAIL THE
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BELOW
and Get a NEW
HE-MAN BODY
for Your OLD
SKELETON FRAME!
YOU CAN WIN
\$100.00
AND A BIG 15" TALL SILVER CUP
LIKE WE
DID!



NO! Friend
you don't
have to be **SKINNY**,
WEAK or **FLABBY** any
more—just mail the
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This may be YOUR **LAST**
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YOU

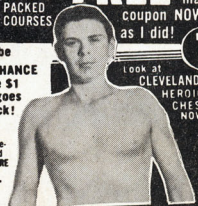
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NOW



**HOW TO MOLD A
MIGHTY CHEST**

Look at
**CLEVELAND'S
HEROIC
CHEST
NOW!**

I gained
**70 lbs. of
MIGHTY MUSCLE**

Won a **BIG SILVER TROPHY**
and made the football team.
I was a 90 lb. Skeleton before,
says Cleveland.



I changed myself from
this **ANEMIC SHRIMP**
to this **MUSCULAR HE-MAN**

I added 6 inches
to each **ARM**

10 inches to my CHEST
to each **ARM**.

**I GAINED
53 lbs.
OF SHAPELY
POWER-
PACKED
MUSCLES**

I Was a
Skinny,
Scared,
Giri-Shy
Skeleton.



Now My
Body is
the Best
in the
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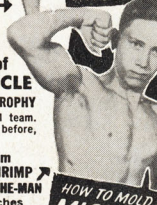
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